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Description: ff. 119 - Original, north Italian. Black leather, the sides outlined in blind rules, a rectangular panel on each cover ruled in gold with a square Arab knot tool gold-stamped outside each corner of the panel, traces of holes for four thong ties on each cover, the backstrip divided into five compartments by raised bands, a gold-stamped cinquefoil in each compartment, the back and sides repaired, edges stained black. Front and back pastedowns: parchment fragments of a 12th-century Italian codex, probably a Gospel Lectionary, containing an extract from the Gospel of St. John written in Latin in a Rotunda antiquior hand. - Denis Duveen; Mellon MS 113 acquired with the Duveen collection. Gift of Paul and Mary Mellon, 1965. - Witten, Laurence C. and Pachella, Richard. *Alchemy and the Occult: A Catalogue of Books and Manuscripts from the Collection of Paul and Mary Mellon. Volume Three: Manuscripts*, Mellon MS 32.

Notes: -Manuscript on paper of 1) John of Rupescissa, *De consideratione quinte essentie*. 2) Rhemigius Burgensis, *Quaestio de medio demonstrationis termino*. 3) Simone Porzio, *De animae immortalitate quaestio*. 4) Francesco Petrarca, *Dialogus de coniugii claritate*. 5) Alchemy and recipes, in Latin. 6) Properties of various fruits and nuts, in Italian verse, and Seasons for planting, in Italian prose. 7) Notes on logic, provenance of elements of this manuscript, and a game of divination.

Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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Language: Latin; Greek; Italian *Country:* Italy *Century:* 16th

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Part 1:

Description: - paper - 1) crossed arrows surmounted by a six-pointed star; 2) crossed keys in a cartouche, neither identified with certainty. - 225 x 162 mm.

Country: Italy

Region: North Italy (perhaps Pisa?)

Assigned Date: [ca. 1542 and later]

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Script: Written in several different italic cursive hands.

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Text 1:

Other Associate: Johannes de Rupescissa ca. 1300-ca. 1365.

Other Associate: Petrarca, Francesco 1304-1374.

Other Associate: Porzio, Simone 1496-1554.

Title: Alchemical miscellany.

Subjects: Alchemy--Early works to 1800.; Divination--Early works to 1800.; Italian poetry--16th century.; Logic--Early works to 1800.; Manuscripts, Medieval--Connecticut--New Haven.;

Language(s): Latin; Greek; Italian